

OLIVER NICKEL  
USSN 09/844,084  
Response Dated August 4, 2003  
Response to Ex Parte Quayle Action

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicant respectfully requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee(s) due in this connection to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEE

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess, to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of this application in view of the amendments above and the following comments.

At the outset, Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the Examiner's indication that the claims have been allowed. The sole remaining issue surrounds the abstract. In response, Applicant provides a new abstract on a separate sheet.

Applicant believes that this application is in condition for immediate allowance. However, should any issue(s) of a minor nature remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to

OLIVER NICKEL  
USSN 09/844,084  
Response Dated August 4, 2003  
Response to Ex Parte Quayle Action

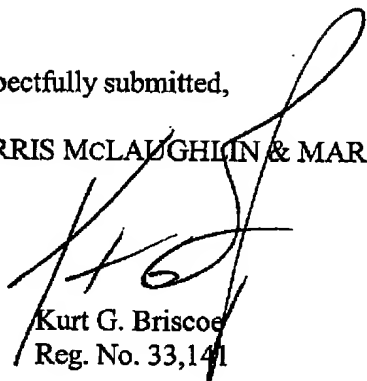
telephone the undersigned at telephone number (212) 808-0700 so that the issue(s) might be promptly resolved.

Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

NORRIS McLAUGHLIN & MARCUS, P.A.

By

  
Kurt G. Briscoe  
Reg. No. 33,141

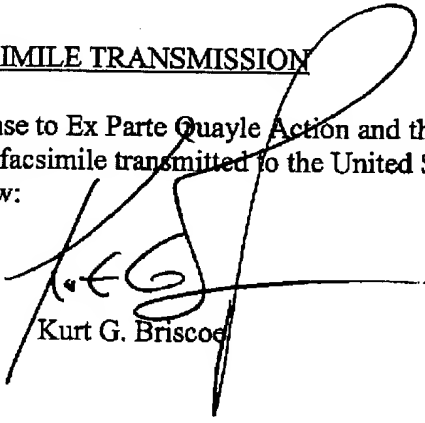
220 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street  
30<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, New York 10017  
Phone: (212) 808-0700  
Fax: (212) 808-0844

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Response to Ex Parte Quayle Action and the accompanying Abstract (5 pages total) are being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on the date indicated below:

Date: August 4, 2003

By:

  
Kurt G. Briscoe

FAX RECEIVED  
AUG 05 2003  
GROUP 1700